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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) are the specification and claims of the nonprovisional patent application of: Toshiki KISHIOKA Inventor(s) LOW VOLTAGE DIFFERENTIAL SIGNAL TRANSMITTING CIRCUIT AND OPTICAL DISC RECORDING APPARATUS Title of Invention APPLICATION ELEMENTS ENCLOSED: 1._X_ Specification, total pages __22_ including: 6 pages of claims (1-15 claims) __1_ page(s) Abstract b. 5 sheets of informal X formal drawings (Figs. 1-5) 2. X Oath or declaration of Applicant(s) (total pages) Newly executed (original) Unexecuted b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with Item 14 completed) Deletion of Inventor(s) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b) Incorporation By Reference The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied in item 3b is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein. 6.___ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix) APPLICATION PARTS ENCLOSED: 7. An assignment (cover sheet & document(s)) 8.____ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) Power of Attorney Newly executed (original) Unexecuted Copy from a prior application

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